

Editors' Foreword

The papers in this issue appeared in preliminary form at the 16th Annual ACM-SIGACT Symposium on the Theory of Computing, held in Washington, D.C., April 30–May 2, 1984. The authors of these papers were invited to submit completed versions to this Special Issue by the Special Issue Editor and his advisors. As is customary, all the papers which appear have been refereed according to the usual standards of this Journal. We regret that one of the papers, "Finding Small Simple Cycle Separators for 2-Connected Planar Graphs" by Gary Miller, could not be included. It will appear in the June 1986 issue of the Journal.

It is a pleasure to acknowledge the help of the other program committee members in our selection of these papers and to thank the authors and referees for their cooperation in making this Special Issue possible.

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